

TAGAL FAILURE TO BUY ENGLISH ARMS

Aguinaldo's Agent to Try in France.

He Believes the Paris Junta's In- fluence Will Bring Aid.

A Former German Consul at Manila Declares the Rebel Cause to Be Utterly Hopeless.

London, March 23.—Aguinaldo and Mari, Filipino commissioners, have started for Paris. In well-informed quarters it is said that Aguinaldo is greatly mortified at the rebuffs he has received from the British government, whose sympathy with the Filipinos he endeavored to arouse, and that he expects better treatment at the hands of the French. Aguinaldo's real object, however, is to obtain arms and ammunition, for the purchase of which he has made unsuccessful overtures to several London and Birmingham firms. It is said he believes that with the assistance of the Paris Junta he will be able to obtain the supplies he needs in France, in the event of which he intends to charter a small vessel at Bremen or Antwerp to transport his purchases to the Philippines.

AGUINALDO'S PRISONERS.

The Offer Made by Spain for Their Release.

Madrid, March 23.—Notwithstanding the fact that General Otis, the American commander at Manila, has refused to sanction negotiations between the Spaniards and Filipinos for the release of the Spanish prisoners held by the latter, having his refusal on the ground that the money paid for the release of the captives would be used to aid the insurgents against the Americans, the Spanish government has offered Aguinaldo, the insurgent leader, 4,000 pesetas for the release of a Spanish officer held by him, the dispatch says, and 2,500 pesetas for each civilian soldier, and 2,500 pesetas for each civilian.

SPAIN WOULD NOT DARE.

Officials Laugh at the Alleged Span- ish-Filipino Alliance.

The State Department denies any knowledge of the use of the Spanish diplomatic service in the interest of Aguinaldo and his Filipinos. A dispatch from London to The Times said that Lozada and Lopez, of Aguinaldo's party, arriving in the English yesterday, stated that they were on their way to Paris. They called on Mr. H. Jurado, legal adviser of the Spanish legation, and seemed surprised to see the correspondent there. They were cordially received by Jurado, the dispatch says, and seemed to know the house and its occupants.

Third Assistant Secretary Criddle said the State Department could consider any effort to show connection between the visit and the use of the Spanish diplomatic and secret service for Filipino interests as absurd, illogical, and not worthy serious reflection.

"We are not likely to get any such intelligence as this," he said, "except through the newspapers. Spain is bound by treaty and has nothing to gain by any secret alliance with Aguinaldo."

The State Department was asked if it were possible that the alliance existed for the purpose of inducing Aguinaldo to release the Spanish prisoners. General Otis put a stop to open negotiations made by Spanish authority, and Mr. Cambon has requested the State Department to urge General Otis to modify his order.

The State Department replied that it had abandoned all connection with the Philippines, and therefore it could do nothing in regard to Mr. Cambon's request. Mr. Cambon must wait until the President's return. The explanation of the State Department's inability to aid him will be that the War Department is in sole and supreme control of the Philippines.

The Acting Secretary of War, Mr. McKinley, says he has no information of any Spanish-Filipino alliance, and does not fear it. There will be no Filipinos to worry about, he says, if they do not lay down their arms presently, for the American forces under General Otis and Admiral Dewey do not mean to hesitate much longer in putting an end to the insurrection.

AGUINALDO'S LAST STAND.

News of a Fierce, Decisive Engage- ment Expected Soon.

Satisfactory news is expected from Manila and Iloilo next week. Plans for a concerted movement on Aguinaldo's forces to the north of Manila have been perfected and its execution may already have been ordered.

The information that Aguinaldo is in the trenches about Malolos, burning railway bridges behind him and preparing strong resistance, is indicative, War Department officials think, of an engagement such as has not occurred in the Philippines. The railroad running north from Manila was considered a menace by Aguinaldo and on his retreat he tore up the rails and burned small bridges.

Repair work has restored most of this road to within a few miles of Aguinaldo's outposts. This will enable the transportation of the heavy field guns to the very gate of Aguinaldo's stronghold. In the latest skirmishes only small howitzers were used, and cutting guns in one or two instances. This is due to the nature of the land, its lowness and the thick growth of small bamboo on much of it, making progress exceedingly difficult. Heavy guns could not be brought into the field.

The plan of General Otis to advance north, beating to the west, and allow General Wheaton to flank Aguinaldo from the east, moving first on the narrow strip of Laguna de Bay, is expected to entrap the Filipino leader.

The news from Iloilo does not disquiet the officials of the War Department. The interpretation is made that General Miller's activity, due to re-enforcements, has stirred the Filipinos, who see that the last game is about to be played.

TORTURED A PRISONER.

How Senator Jones's Friends Treated an American Captive.

San Francisco, March 23.—A letter from Captain McQuesten, surgeon of the Twenty-eighth regular, now at Manila, tells of

THE CUBAN ARMY TO BE REORGANIZED

The Assembly Approves a Res- olution to This End.

Encouraging Messages Received From Division Chiefs.

The Veterans' Association Recog- nizes the Disturbers as the Only Body Having Authority.

NORTHERN FILIPINO REBELS?

Refugees From Dagupan Say Natives Sympathetic With Rebels.

Manila, March 23.—The "Tagblatt" announced today that Herr Schneider, an attendant in the Bacteriological Institute, the successor of Attendant Barich, who died from bubonic plague, contracted while assisting at experiments in the Institute last October, had been taken ill and been isolated.

A plague scare resulted from the announcement, but upon enquiry at the hospital where Schneider is confined it was ascertained that the patient was suffering from bronchitis. His isolation was in accordance with a rule made immediately after the appearance of the plague last fall.

PLAGUE SCARE IN VIENNA.

It Was Reported That Barich's Suc- cessor Had Contracted the Disease.

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A GIRL CAUSES A STRIKE.

Discharged Because She Signed a Union Paper, Workmen Quit.

Providence, R. I., March 23.—The operatives of the Warren Manufacturing Company's mill at Warren, numbering 550 persons, today quit work and went on strike, because they were discharged a girl because it was alleged she had signed a union paper. A conference between the operatives and the heads of the Warren Company was held this afternoon and an effort made on the part of the company to have the strike ended at once. The strikers refused to accept the propositions offered. The outlook is dubious.

TESTING ALASKA COAL.

A Station on One of the Aleutian Islands Suggested.

Seattle, Wash., March 23.—The United States Government has made tests of coal discovered in the Aleutian peninsula by the Chicago Bay Coal Company, and it is probable that the Spanish employed are not dis- charged in twenty-four hours they will go on strike. The cigarmakers number over 5,000.

Preparations are being made to receive Secretary Alger with all military honors. Jose Marti, a son of the great revolutionist, who was recently appointed to a municipal clerkship at a small salary, has resigned, not being satisfied with the position given him. His resignation was published today. Young Marti served with great distinction in the Cuban army.

SANGUINELY READY TO GIVE UP.

The Cuban Assembly Prepares to Quietly Dissolve Itself.

According to advices received yesterday from Havana by Senator Quesada, the local Cuban representative, the much-exploited Cuban Assembly has given up the ghost and will probably dissolve tomorrow.

Senator Quesada regards the advice as entirely trustworthy, and has no doubt that the assembly will give up the ghost. He has no doubt that the assembly will give up the ghost. He has no doubt that the assembly will give up the ghost.

GOVERNOR ROOSEVELT'S MOVEMENTS.

Albany, March 23.—Governor Roosevelt will go to New York City tomorrow and in the evening will attend the military tourna- ment at Madison Square Garden. On Saturday he will testify before the Mil- itary Committee of the Senate.

What Mr. Alger May Do in Cuba.

Cuba may be divided into four military departments as a result of Secretary Alger's visit to Havana. The plan has been under consideration by the Secretary and officials of the army for some time. Con- ditions may not be ripe for the application of the plan just yet. If they are Secretary Alger will cable Adjutant General Corbin and the order carrying the plan into execu- tion will be promulgated.

Suffered a Relapse.

Former Governor Fletcher, of Missouri, who was stricken with paralysis in this city several weeks ago, suffered a relapse yesterday, and was reported last night to be very low. Since his first attack Mr. Fletcher had been steadily improving, and when the relapse came he was expected to be out in a few days.

COMING BACK FROM CUBA.

Sailing of the South Carolina Regi- ment.

Havana, March 23.—9:45 a. m.—A detach- ment, consisting of 123 privates and 10 offi- cers, belonging to the Second South Carolina Regiment, sailed for the United States yesterday on board the Olivette. Five companies of the State, and a special com- pany of the regiment will leave here on the Olivette and the Yarmouth on Saturday and Sunday next. The Second Illinois Regi- ment is breaking camp preparatory to leaving Havana.

Sold Under the Hammer.

Newburgh, N. Y., March 23.—The exten- sive plant of the Newburgh Wire and Cable Company was sold under a judgment of foreclosure here today. An agent for Fred- erick P. Voorhees, of New York, bid in the property for \$75,000. It is reported that the purchase was made in the interest of the American Steel and Wire Company, who will operate the works. The property is the former Kelmer Wire Works.

This Flooring Is dressed on both sides, and can be used for partitions.

MR. SHERMAN SITS UP.

His Physicians More Hopeful for His Recovery.

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THE PRESIDENT'S OUTING.

A Tally-Ho Ride That Was Hugely Enjoyed.

Thomasville, Ga., March 23.—A tally- ho party in honor of President McKinley was given today by a nephew of Senator Hanna, Charles Chapin, and Mrs. Chapin. The start was made before 11 o'clock and several hours were spent on the best of the roads hereabouts. Except Mrs. Mc- Kinley, all the party, including President McKinley, Vice President and Mrs. Hobart, and Senator and Mrs. Hanna, Miss Hanna, and young Garrett Hobart went along. The day was quite warm, but a fair breeze tempered the heat. Before the President signed a batch of army and postoffice commissions, and this even- ing devoted to an hour to this task. The mayor of Fitzgerald, the G. A. R. com- munity established in South Georgia sev- eral years ago, has been insisting that the President should visit their town, but a final decision has been sent, and a like answer will be sent to all other invita- tions. Tomorrow quite a party will go by train to Tallahassee, leaving early in the morning and returning late in the afternoon. The Governor of Florida prob- ably will entertain the President.

A LAST EFFORT TO BEAT QUAY.

His Opponents Lay Down a Plan of Action for Next Week.

Harrisburg, Pa., March 23.—It is under- stood that the anti-Quay forces will begin a series of moves next Tuesday. They will first rally to Congressman Dalzell to show their good faith in the effort to elect a United States Senator, and failing to make any impression, they will then turn every insurgent vote to some other candi- date and thus test the Quay forces for sev- eral days. During this campaign it is ex- pected that Senator Quay's immediate followers will desert Quay for one of the other candidates. If these attacks do not break the deadlock the anti-Quay forces will fall back and urge the legislature to adjourn. They will then come out again on an anti-Quay issue and fight for the organization in every county.

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BRADLEY MAY RESIGN.

The Kentucky Governor Is at Odds With His Party.

Frankfort, Ky., March 23.—The report is current that Gov. William O. Bradley will resign his office as governor of Ken- tucky within the next few months. Gov- ernor Bradley is away from the city, but it is an open secret that he is thor- oughly disgusted with Kentucky politics and purposes leaving the state for New York, or San Francisco, as soon as he leaves the gubernatorial chair. He is out of harmony with the Republican party. His term of office expires in December, and it is said Governor Bradley will re- sign in order to complete his old friend and co-worker in politics, Lieutenant Gov- ernor Watkins, before his term expires. Come governor during the unexpected term.

GENERAL WALKER ARRESTED.

The Outcome of His Pistol Practice on W. S. Hamilton.

Richmond, Va., March 23.—Gen. James A. Walker was placed under arrest at Bris- tol tonight for shooting W. S. Hamilton on the night of March 11 while taking de- positions in the Walker-Rhea Congressional contest. General Walker then was ordered to a warrant for George E. Davis, John Rhea's private secretary, whom he says he saw fire the two shots that wounded him. General Walker has recovered. He is at court, and will return to his home at Wytheville tomorrow.

BRYAN AT BIRMINGHAM.

He Is Well Treated and Speaks to Three Thousand People.

Birmingham, Ala., March 23.—Col. Wil- lam J. Bryan, on his tour through the South, was well entertained here today. He was escorted through the mineral dis- tricts on a special Pullman car, and on his train. This afternoon a public reception was given him. Tonight Bryan made a speech in the Birmingham Auditorium to an audience of 3,000.

AN ANIMATED CORPSE.

It Believed the Coroner From Hold- ing an Inquest.

Ellicott City, Md., March 23.—Prepara- tions for the holding of an inquest, and a physician, and their presence on the scene, were found to be premature, in Howard county today, the supposed corpse manifesting vi- gorous signs of life when the official came to perform their duty. The unfortunate man, who proved to be a teamster named Lansdale, employed by President Hiram T. Hunt, of the State, was taken to the Sanitary Board, was seen by several more men, and was being driven home last evening from court at Ellicott City. Lansdale was lying on the roadside and near him stood the team. The travelers all pro- nounced him dead. After being laid out in a cold room in Mr. Stack's house, Lan- sdale suddenly came to, as the inquest was about to proceed, and soon after went on his way.

Italy and China.

London, March 23.—A dispatch to the "Standard" from Rome, published today, announces that the Chinese Minister there was received in solemn audience by King Humbert on Tuesday last, prior to his de- parture the same evening from the Italian capital.

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